MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND URBAN POLICY

Wednesday, May 11, 2005

2:50 p.m.

Room 307, House Office Building

Chair Stakoe called the Standing Committee on Local Government and Urban Policy to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Van Regenmorter, Robertson, Nitz, Baxter, Schuitmaker, Tobocman, Accavitti, Donigan, Vagnozzi (11/11) **MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED:** None (0/11)

Representative Vagnozzi, supported by Representative Robertson, moved to adopt the minutes from the meeting held on April 27, 2005. Hearing no objection, the motion prevailed with unanimous consent.

Chair Stakoe laid House Bill 4133 before the committee.

HB 4133 Mortimer Civil procedure; service of process; prohibition of process service

on Sunday and election day; repeal.

Representative Mortimer explained the intent of the bill and a proposed Substitute (H-2).

Jeff Kirkpatrick, representing the Court Officers and Deputy Sheriffs' Association, testified in **support** of the bill and answered questions.

Representative Nitz, supported by Representative Robertson, moved to adopt Substitute (H-2) to House Bill 4133.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Robertson, Nitz, Schuitmaker, Accavitti (6/11)

NAYS: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Vagnozzi (2/11) **PASS:** Reps. Baxter, Tobocman, Donigan (3/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

Representative Accavitti, supported by **Representative Tobocman**, moved to adopt the following amendment to **House Bill 4133 (H-2)**:

- 1. Amend page 2, following line 3, by inserting:
- "(2) CIVIL PROCESS SHALL NOT BE SERVED OR EXECUTED ON SUNDAY ON A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY WHILE HE OR SHE IS ADDRESSING HIS OR HER CONGREGATION OR ORGANIZATION. HOWEVER, IF SUFFICIENT CAUSE IS SHOWN BY AFFIDAVIT TO THE SATISFACTION OF A JUDGE OF ANY CIRCUIT, THAT JUDGE MAY ISSUE A RESTRAINING ORDER OR AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF AND SERVICE OR EXECUTION OF A WRIT ON A MEMBER OF THE CLERGY AT ANY TIME. AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "MEMBER OF THE CLERGY" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE CHILD PROTECTION LAW, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.622."

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Accavitti (3/11)

NAYS: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Robertson, Nitz, Schuitmaker, Vagnozzi (5/11)

PASS: Reps. Baxter, Tobocman, Donigan (3/11)

An insufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion did not prevail**.

Representative Robertson, supported by Representative Schuitmaker, moved to report House Bill 4133, with recommendation, as Substitute (H-2).

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

YEAS: Reps. Stakoe, Elsenheimer, Robertson, Schuitmaker, Tobocman, Donigan (6/11)

NAYS: Reps. Van Regenmorter, Nitz, Vagnozzi (3/11)

PASS: Reps. Baxter, Accavitti (2/11)

A sufficient number of members voting in the affirmative, the **motion prevailed**.

The Chair laid House Bill 4729 before the committee.

HB 4729 Tobocman Property; land sales; municipal employees to purchase land in

cities inventory; allow.

Representative Tobocman explained the intent of the bill.

Amru Meah, representing the City of Detroit, testified in support of the bill.

Mike Taylor, representing the City of Detroit, submitted a testimony card in **support** of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** declared the meeting adjourned, the time being **3:27 p.m.**

Representative John Stakoe, Chair

Jean Hamelin, Committee Clerk (517) 373-5632